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Procurement Subcommittee of the Advisory Committee on Foreign Language Publications

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I. PSC-AR-3, Consideration and Amendment of Draft of Third Annual Report of the Procurement Subcommittee

In considering the objectives and accomplishments to be reported for 1955 it was suggested by Cmdr. McKinney that accomplishments of a single Agency or activities of an inter-agency bilateral nature should be deleted from the PSC report. General discussion of this proposal produced agreement that the PSC annual report should include in its main textonly such accomplishments as reflect results of PSC proposals put into effect by one or more agencies, and that a supplement attached to the report may describe accomplishments not based on PSC proposals.

The draft of PSC-AR-3 under consideration was marked for amendment so as to conform with the Subcommittee decision.

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In considering the objectives for 1956, draft language which would have committed the Subcommittee, if approved, to establishing a practice of reporting by each member agency concerning the scope and product of its foreign publications procurement program was amended to commit the Subcommittee to determining the advisability of such reporting. Three other statements in the draft under consideration which would have committed the Subcommittee to programs in the reduction of duplication, the development of inter-agency standards and the briefing and debriefing of personnel assigned to foreign publications procurement responsibilities were deleted. They were replaced by a commitment for the Subcommittee to continue efforts to coordinate requirements in Washington and collection in the field.

A proposed objective was re-worded to provide for study of existing and proposed programs in the international exchange of publications.

Accomplishments and objectives in the draft under consideration which were not amended by the decisions described above were approved for inclusion in the revised draft. A revised draft of PSC-AR-3 will be produced by the Secretary in ditto form, disseminated to the members and approved orally by telephone call to the Chairman.

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III. Reporting by Member Agencies as a Contribution to Coordination

There was disagreement on the propriety, which and schedule for reporting by member agencies to the Subcommittee concerning the scope and product of their programs for procurement of foreign publications. It was agreed to include this problem on the Agenda for the Twelfth Meeting, together with the other items not considered at the Eleventh Meeting.

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